

PURDUE BASKETBALL POSTGAME NOTES

Purdue (19-7, 9-4 Big Ten) vs. Penn State (21-5, 11-3 Big Ten)
February 16, 2012 ♦ Keady Court at Mackey Arena ♦ Attendance: 8,681
Penn State Lady Lions 74, Purdue Boilermakers 63

GAME NOTES

- After the loss, Purdue now leads the series with Penn State 25-16. This is the only meeting the two will have this year.
- With the loss, head coach Sharon Versyp's career record falls to 247-133 and her record at Purdue to 130-68, including 65-34 in the Big Ten.
- For the second time this season Purdue's starting line-up consisted of Courtney Moses, Brittany Rayburn, Dee Dee Williams, Sam Ostarello, and Chelsea Jones. The Boilermakers are now 0-2 with that lineup.
- For most of the first half the score was back and forth. In the first 12:40 there were six ties and twelve lead changes. However, over the next 5:33, Penn State would go on a 14-6 run to take a 35-27 lead, it's largest of the half. Purdue responded by scoring the last six points of the half to trail 35-33.
- Sam Ostarello opened the 2nd half scoring with a basket to tie the game at 35. Maggie Lucas responded with her own 8-0 run, putting the Lady Lions on top. After a Purdue timeout, the Boilermakers would go on an 11-4 to cut the Penn State lead to just one, at 47-46 with 10:37 to go. The run was ended by Maggie Lucas's third three-pointer of the half. Purdue would not get any closer the rest of the way.
- After winning its first eight conference games, Purdue has dropped 4 of its last 5.
- Purdue is now 1-5 this season against ranked opponents, losing its last four matchups against ranked teams.
- The loss marks the first time the Boilermakers have shot better than their opponent, but lost the game. They had won the previous 16 games in which they shot a higher percentage.
- The Boilermakers also lost the second-consecutive game in which they have won the rebounding battle. They had won the first 11 games in which that occurred.
- Penn State had 12 points off turnovers compared to Purdue's zero.
- The Lady Lion starters outscored the Boilermaker starters, 63-33.
- Purdue had 42 points in the paint compared to Penn State's 20.

TEAM HIGHS AND LOWS

- Alex Guyton led Purdue with 12 points.
- Chantel Poston eclipsed her career high in rebounds, finishing with 12. Her previous high was six, which she had accomplished five times. She had 10 alone in the first half of tonight's game.
- With her four blocks, Chelsea Jones passed Mary Jo Noon for 11th all-time in Purdue history. She now has 91 for her career.
- Brittany Rayburn is now tied for seventh all-time on the Purdue scoring list. Her 11 points gave her 1,662 for her career, pulling even with Jannon Roland.
- Maggie Lucas's 28 points led all scorers. It is also the most points scored by an opposing player this season against Purdue.

- Purdue's 10.0 percent three-point shooting matches a season low. They also shot 1-of-10 against Notre Dame on December 10.
- Penn State's nine turnovers were a season low for a Purdue opponent this season.